



# Welcome Students Student News, Student Views

This is an electronic newsletter that will help keep you informed of student information. It is distributed bi-weekly during the summer and monthly thereafter.

#### **Student News**

#### Students-

Welcome to summer 2004 at Los Alamos National Laboratory! One of our primary goals is to ensure that every student-new, returning, and year-round has a well rounded, challenging and meaningful work experience. We have made many improvements within our internship programs based on feedback from you, our students. Many groups and organizations including Students' Association have spent a great deal of time planning social, educational, and professional development activities that will be of value and interest to you. I encourage you to get involved in all that you can during you time here an experience what the Laboratory has to offer, as well as, the beauty of northern New Mexico!

I look forward to meeting you and hearing about your experience!

Carole Rutten LANL Student/Mentor Liaison

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#### What is Students' Association?

- It's a student run organization
- It represents ALL students at LANL
- It's an organization that helps to improve the "Quality of Life" and education
- SA provides information and resources about LANL and the community to students

#### The mission of the Students' Association is to:

- Represent students at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL),
- To improve the quality of life and education for all people entering Laboratory student programs, and to
- Integrate student employment with the Laboratory's overall mission statement.

Students' Association would like to take this opportunity to welcome students to LANL. Whether this is your first summer here or you are a returning student SA hopes that you had a good school year and are looking forward to a fun summer! SA, along with SPAC and various divisions, have planned student breakfasts, educational growth workshops, LANL and offsite tours, and much, much more! SA has made some great improvements over the years such at the Housing Connection site. SA distributes information through the student information list serv. All new students coming in will be added to the list serv but if you do not receive emails within two weeks of your hire date, contact Liz Ramirez at eramirez@lanl.gov to be added.

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#### Kristina Lindquist is Students' Association new Vice-Chair!

Kristina Lindquist is the newly elected Vice-Chair of the Student Association. She is a student working in Legal Counsel. She graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a B.A. in Philosophy in May 2003 and will be attending law school in the fall. Kristina was born and raised in Santa Fe. She volunteers with Literacy Volunteers teaching English as a Second Language to adults in her spare time. Kristina is looking forward to a great summer with SA!



Chair, Omar Wooten swears in the new SA Vice-Chair, Kristina Lindquist

#### Symposium 2004: Championing Scientific Careers

The dates for the annual symposium have been scheduled for August 3-4, 2004. It will be held at the Best Western Hilltop House. The Symposium is an opportunity for you to present your research and projects via a poster presentation or technical talk. Professional Development seminars will be offered as well as a college/university fair, and awards banquet. For more information about the Symposium see

http://stb.lanl.gov:8080/wosaserver/web?pg=/education/internships/symposium/index.xml.



#### **Students' Association Summer Activities**



Never heard of the Annual Student Picnic, Student Discounts Cards, or of the GRA Activities that SA coordinates for students? Below are the descriptions and dates of some of the activities that SA is working on this summer.



#### **Student Informational Breakfast Seminars**

Students' Association (SA) aims to actively provide information for students at the Laboratory. SA wants to give students the opportunity to find out information about other organizations here at the Laboratory. The student informational breakfasts are a resource for students to learn about other groups and to meet other students. The breakfasts are sponsored by various groups/divisions. Each seminar will include a breakfast entrée and a brief presentation about the respective group/division. The breakfasts are open to all students, although space is limited. Please keep you eyes open for emails regarding the breakfasts as you will need to R.S.V.P. to attend. If you have any questions about the breakfasts or your group/division would like to sponsor a breakfast please contact Leah Sandoval at <a href="leah@lanl.gov">leah@lanl.gov</a> or 665-8277.



About 1,000 students gather each year for the student picnic.

#### **NEW!!!! Housing page on the SA Website**

Students if you haven't found housing or a roommate yet, you can check out our housing page at

http://sa.lanl.gov/housing.htm . The Students'

Association has put a request out to members of the surrounding communities to list housing opportunities with us in order to help students with the housing crunch this summer. Also, if there are any students already here that are looking for a roommate, please send your information to

kjmccormick@lanl.gov to be posted on the website. Happy Hunting!

#### **Annual All Student Summer Picnic**

Come join in the food, fun, and games at the All Student Summer Picnic on July 1, 2004 from 11:30am to 2:00pm at Urban Park. This is the biggest event that SA coordinates. Over 1,000 LANL students attend each year! There will also be representatives from around the Lab and the community with booths full of information. You will be able to pick up your ticket at any Students' Association sponsored event. You can also pick up a ticket for your mentor if they are planning to attend.

SA is also encouraging students to volunteer to help grill, serve food, and have fun. All students are encouraged to attend!

If you would like more information on how you can help at the picnic you can send an email to saexec@lanl.gov.

Students and mentors must have a ticket in order to be served!



#### **2004 Student Discount Cards**

For the past three summers LANL and the Los Alamos Chamber have collaborated together to provide a student discount card. The card allows LANL students to receive discounts at recognized local Los Alamos businesses. Some of the businesses that students can expect to see on the cards are:

- AAA New Mexico
- Andrews Gallery
- C.B. Fox
- Central Avenue Grill
- China Moon Restaurant
- Gordon's
- Hill Diner
- Los Alamos Fitness Center
- Los Alamos Historical Museum Shop
- Los Alamos Monitor
- Orgami Japanese Restaurant
- Otowi Station Bookstore
- Quizno's
- Upex
- Village Arts
- YMCA

Cards can be picked up by LANL students at SA events beginning May 17.

#### **On-Site LANL Tours**

The on-site LANL tours are opportunities for students to see what other areas of the Laboratory are doing. The tours are given by an expert of the specific Students' Association (SA) wants to provide resources for students to get a first hand at some of look interesting science that is here at happening Laboratory. If you have a specific area that you feel might be particularly interesting to see, please contact Leah Sandoval at leah@lanl.gov or 665-8277.

#### All Student Meeting with SPAC

This is a great opportunity for new, continuing and returning LANL students to hear updates on progress in student programs as well as news from around the Lab. It is open to all students, and addresses student issues and concerns. Students are encouraged to ask questions in this casual setting and network with other students. Event will be held June 10 at 10:00 am. Contact Bill Robertson at 5-6503 or robertson@lanl.gov.

### All Student Meeting with the Director, Pete Nanos

Meeting provides opportunity for LANL students to meet with Laboratory Director Pete Nanos regarding student issues. Students are encouraged to ask questions and network with other students. Contact Carole Rutten at crutten@lanl.gov.

#### **Trinity Site Tour**

An exciting tour has been planned for summer 2004. The SA has obtained special permission to bring a busload of students to the Trinity Site, the location of the worlds first nuclear explosion in 1945. Usually open only two days of the year, the Trinity Site is historically significant, and the tour will offer students a chance to visit the remaining artifacts. The tour is planned for June 11.

#### The LANL $\nabla$ (students) – GRAd (students)

#### **GRA Activities**

In an effort to offer more activities for graduate students, the SA organizes bi-monthly brown bag lunches. Occasionally, the GRAs are joined by a special guest who shares their expertise about a particular topic of interest in an informal setting. Also, periodic co-organized activities between the SA and the Postdoctoral program occur to give GRAs opportunities to meet postdoctoral candidates and the postdoctoral program staff.



Know students who are not receiving Student News, Student Views? Invite them to contact <a href="mailto:eramirez@lanl.gov">eramirez@lanl.gov</a> to get on the list serv.

## **Student Views Safety/Security Tip**

#### **Student Requirements:**

- All students must have a new workplan, your workplan will define what is expected of you this summer, it is similar to a job description.
- Review your workplan with your mentor
- Complete the Student/Mentor Workplan Discussion Guide with your mentor and return a copy within 7 days to Carole Rutten, MS-M709.
   <a href="http://int.lanl.gov/education/pdfs/DiscussionGuide.pdf">http://int.lanl.gov/education/pdfs/DiscussionGuide.pdf</a> This document will ensure a mutual understanding between you and your mentor about your work hours, projects, meeting times, and safety and security issues.
- **RETURNING/YEAR-ROUND STUDENTS-**Make sure all of your training (i.e annual security refresher) has not expired.





#### Do you have a question for EPO?

Do you have a question on benefits, travel, your computer, etc. that you just find the answer to? SN,SV is a resource for students to send their questions regarding any student issue at LANL to find the answer. If you have a question about a student issue there is a very good chance that other students have the same question. Please send your questions to <a href="mailto:eramirez@lanl.gov">eramirez@lanl.gov</a>.



#### **Community Corner**

**Disclaimer:** Items in SN,SV are compiled from public information contained from various sources within and around Los Alamos. Activities and information listed in SN,SV imply safe, fun excitement for LANL students.



Farmers Market Season Begins, Downtown Los Alamos, (every Thursday morning 7-11)

#### May

6: Hobbit – Mesa Public Library Film Series 17: UNM-LA and LA Film Society present – Whalerider. 7:00 pm at UNM-LA Bldg. 2 20: UNM-LA and LA Film Society present – Nowhere in Africa. 7:00 pm at UNM-LA Bldg. 2

28: "Edges" Art Exhibit, Art Center at Fuller Lodge 28: Los Alamos Summer Concert Series: Richard Johnston (Hill Country Blues),

Note: (Most Summer Concert Series events begin at 7:00 p.m. For more information on times and location of events call Gordon's CDs and Tapes, 662-7279 or go to www.vla.com/gordons/ online.)

29-31 Jemez Pueblo Annual Red Rocks Arts and Crafts Show, Jemez Pueblo

#### June

- 3: Los Alamos Chamber of Commerce Business Breakfast, UNM-LA Student Center
- 3: Junior PGA Golf Tournament, Los Alamos Golf Course
- 3: LAGA Father Son Daughter Golf Tournament, Los Alamos Golf Course
- 4: Los Alamos Summer Concert Series: John Lee Hooker, Jr. (Blues)
- 5: White Rock Invite Softball Tournament, White Rock Overlook
- 11: Chamberfest, Downtown Los Alamos
- 11: Los Alamos Summer Concert Series: Debbie Davies Guitar (Roots Rock/Blues)
- 12: Dance Arts Los Alamos Recital, Duane Smith Auditorium
- 18: Los Alamos Summer Concert Series: Ruthie Foster with Cyd Cassone (Texas Folk/Gospel)
- 20: Los Alamos Summer Concert Series: Fathers Day Concert
- 25: "Oppenheimer and the Manhattan Project" Celebration, Fuller Lodge
- 25: Los Alamos Summer Concert Series: Greg Abate (Beebop Jazz)
- 26: Symposium on "Oppenheimer and the Manhattan Project" Atomic Heritage Foundation, Los Alamos Historical Society, Smith Civic Auditorium



#### Attention Students!

The Tuff Riders are **the local mountain bike club** here in Los Alamos. We provide a wonderful opportunity to get to know the many great trails in and around Los Alamos as well as other mountain bikers of all levels. The club meets every Tuesday and Thursday evening at Sullivan Field parking lot at 5:15 pm (across from the Los Alamos High School). Rides split into several groups ranging from easy to advanced. At least one group on Tuesday is specially intended for beginners. The club also does weekend trips to nearby mountain bike meccas. Come on out and join in the fun while you're here! For more info visit our website:

http://tuffriders.losalamos.com

#### About The Education Program Office...

The Education Program Office is dedicated to developing an employment pipeline for the Laboratory. Efforts begin with K-12 students and teachers and progress through undergraduate and graduate level students. The following teams are located within the Education Program Office: the Math and Science Academy Outreach team, the Laboratory's Student Program Coordination team and the Critical Skills Development Program team. We strive to enhance the learning environment at the Laboratory for both the students and Laboratory staff members.

